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Though the Easter brides are almost as plentiful as Easter lilies, they cannot hope to monopolize the entire interests of the coming week. The social calendar makes delightful reading for those lucky enough to have invitations to the jangleings announced. Beginning with tomorrow night there is the Easter Monday ball to be given by the Secretary of War and Mrs. Root for their daughter, and Mrs. Reynolds' dance. Tuesday will be a busy day in the social realm. In addition to Mr. Truesdell's trolley party in the morning to Cabin John, and with Miss Lincoln's coming-out tea and the chautau at the British Embassy among the afternoon attractions the announcements for the night include the subscription dance of sixty couples at the Raffles-Armory and the Tuesday German at Rauscher's. A fashionable event of Wednesday afternoon will be the musicale for the benefit of the Christ Child Society, which is to be given under the auspices of a number of prominent society people at the Columbia Theatre. The reception to be held by Senator Depew and the entertainment to be given by the Longfellow Memorial Association in the ballroom of the Arlington will be the prominent event of Thursday evening and Saturday will be the wedding day of Miss Alice Maury and Mr. James Parmelee of Cleveland.

Miss Jane Stone Abert, one of the prettiest debutantes of the winter, is to be one of the Easter brides. Her wedding to Mr. John P. Story, Jr., will be solemnized Wednesday. She will be attended by Miss Glover as maid of honor and Miss Alice Hay and Miss Higbee as bridesmaids. The last-mentioned young lady is a relative from New York. The young lady's attendants will wear gowns of white chiffon over silk, and carry large bouquets of white lilies tied with pink ribbon. Their hats of white leghorn will be garlanded with pink roses. The bride will wear white satin and tulle veil, and will be escorted by her father. The best man will be Mr. Horace Westcott. The ushers will be Mr. Stevens, of Philadelphia; Mr. Le Baron Russell, of Boston; Baron Herman, of the German Embassy; Lieut. Robert Wallach, United States Army; Mr. Reynolds Pitt and Mr. F. O. Horstmann, Jr., both of Washington. The wedding will take place at Epiphany Church at noon. The Rev. Dr. McKim, rector of the church, will officiate. A wedding breakfast at the residence of the bride's parents, in K Street, will follow the ceremony. Miss Abert made her debut in December. She is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Stone Abert, and one of the acknowledged beauties of the season. Mr. Story is a son of Major John P. Story, United States Army, now stationed at Governor's Island.

On next Wednesday evening "The Oaks," the historic old mansion of Col. and Mrs. Henry P. Blount that crowns the heights of Georgetown, will be the scene of one of the most beautiful weddings that has been solemnized at the Capital for many years. The bride and groom will be Miss Elizabeth Blount, one of the young daughters of the house, and Rev. Eugene Shippen, of Dorchester, Mass. The ceremony will be solemnized at 7:30 o'clock by the groom's father, Rev. Rush R. Shippen, who was formerly the pastor of All Souls Church, this city. About thirty guests only will witness the service, but over a thousand invitations have been issued for the reception, which will begin at 8 o'clock. The bride and her maids will descend the east stairway at the same time that the groom and the other gentlemen of the wedding train come down the stairway to the west. They will meet in the deep bay window in the centre of the north corridor, which will be garlanded with pink roses and tulips and aglow with rose-tinted lights. Miss Mary Blount, who has recently returned from a two-year's course of study in the Latin quarter of Paris, will be her sister's maid of honor, while Miss Phillips Chase, of Boston, and Miss Dorothy Goff, of Los Angeles, Cal., will be the additional bridesmaids. The bride will be the additional bridesmaid, Mr. William S. Allen, and Mr. Clarence Humphries, both of Massachusetts, will accompany the groom from Dorchester, and Mr. Walter Blount, the young son of the house, who is home from college for the Easter holidays, will complete the list of attendants.

The congregation of the First Unitarian Church of Washington, Mass., of which the groom is pastor, has presented him with \$500 with the request that he buy a gift for the new home which he has just bought for himself in the city of Washington. The gift will be a picture of the bride and groom, which he gave to his teacher. The lady having preserved it all these years, had it framed in gold and presented it to the bride-elect, who considers it chief among her treasures. Among the house guests who will be entertained over the wedding day by Colonel and Mrs. Blount, the majority of whom have already arrived, are Mrs. Siskel, of the Kalamazoo, the married daughter of the family; Mrs. De Graff, Mrs. Blount's sister; and Miss Wilson, of Chicago; Mrs. Lemke, of Evanston, Ind.; Miss Goff, daughter of the former Miss Chandler, sister, and Mr. Henry F. Blount, Jr., of Cornell.

Miss Blount will wear with her Paris wedding gown a wreath of natural orange blossoms, and carry a lace handkerchief that belonged to Eugene when she was Empress of France. It is the "something borrowed" which a bride must always wear at her wedding in deference to folk lore tradition, and was loaned by Mrs. Joyce, of Georgetown.

A pretty church wedding to take place Wednesday evening will be that of Miss Hattie Overall Key and Mr. Horace Cleveland Chandler. The ceremony will be at St. Andrew's church and be performed by Rev. J. B. Perry, the pastor. The bride will be given away by her uncle, Mr. Cleveland Smith, and her cousin, Miss Tina Smith, will be her maid of honor. There will be a tiny flower girl, Alice Loving, and a group of pretty bridesmaids, all of whom, like the bride herself, are extremely young girls. They will be Miss Chandler, sister of the groom; Miss Smith, of New York; Miss Rust, of Virginia; and Miss Hopper and Miss Rupp, of this city. The ushers will be Mr. Ed. Chandler, Walsh, of Texas; Mr. Will Danners, of Richmond; Mr. Higgins, of this city; and Mr. Hall, of Pennsylvania. The ceremony will be followed by a small reception at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Smith, in S Street, for the bridal party and members of both families.

Only relatives will attend the wedding of Miss Hattie Gorman and Mr. Stephen Gambrell, which will take place Wednesday noon at the residence of former Senator and Mrs. Gorman, in K Street.

The marriage of Miss Mabel Louisa Vaughan and Mr. William Pennington Ryan will also take place Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Vaughan, 1412 Twelfth Street northwest. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. S. H. Greene, D. D., pastor of Calvary Baptist Church. Miss Macaulay will attend the bride and the best man will be Dr. E. E.

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